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REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND CULTURE

DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO THE SAN DIEGO MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE CHILDREN'S POOL

On May 17, 2010, the City Council directed that this Office return with draft ordinances amending the San Diego Municipal Code to prohibit public access to the Children's Pool beach during harbor seal pupping season, December 15 to May 15, and to prohibit dogs there at any time.

The draft ordinance prepared pursuant to City Council direction in Resolutions R-305837 and R-305862 is attached. (Attachment 1.) The proposed amendment specifies that it is unlawful for any person to be on the La Jolla Children's Pool beach from December 15 to May 15, and that it is unlawful to allow any dog on the La Jolla Children's Pool beach. Other amendments are proposed for consistency and housekeeping, such as expanding the purpose and intent of the regulations of the applicable division pertaining to public parks, playgrounds, beaches, tidelands, and other property and to include the protection of public resources. The proposed ordinance also clarifies that any employee or agent of the City is exempt from these regulations while performing his or her duties, not just the Park and Recreation Department employees.

Respectfully submitted,
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[No change in text.]

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